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TAGS: PREL, KFPC, ETTC, KOMC, MARR, PREF, UNSC, RW

SUBJECT: RWANDA MOVING IN SC TO LIFT ARMS EMBARGO  
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1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. SUMMARY: THE RWANDAN DELEGATION PLANS TO PUT BEFORE THE SECURITY COUNCIL A DRAFT RESOLUTION, WITH NAM CAUCUS SUPPORT, CALLING FOR THE TOTAL LIFTING OF THE ARMS EMBARGO AGAINST RWANDA. RWANDAN PERMREP MANZI WILL TRAVEL TO KIGALI BETWEEN JULY 10 AND 20 TO DISCUSS THIS WITH THE GOR. END SUMMARY.
3. RWANDAN PERMREP MANZI HAS APPROACHED SEVERAL SECURITY COUNCIL MEMBERS ON THE ISSUE OF LIFTING THE ARMS EMBARGO, INCLUDING USUN. HE INDICATED HE HAS NAM SUPPORT FOR THIS EFFORT, AND WILL WORK ON THE TEXT OF A DRAFT RESOLUTION. HE INTENDS TO DISCUSS HIS DRAFT WITH THE GOR NEXT WEEK IN KIGALI. UPON HIS RETURN HE PLANS TO PUT THE DRAFT BEFORE THE COUNCIL AND FORCE A VOTE. WE UNDERSTAND HE WILL RETURN TO NEW YORK AROUND JULY 20.
4. UK MISOFF TOLD USUN THAT UK PREFERS TO HANDLE RWANDAN REQUESTS FOR IMPORTS OF EMBARGOED ITEMS ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS THROUGH THE SANCTIONS COMMITTEE. HE POINTED OUT THAT IF THE EMBARGO IS LIFTED, THERE WILL NO LONGER BE ANY RESTRICTIONS AGAINST WEAPONS SHIPMENTS TO THE EX-FAR IN ZAIRE. UK MISOFF BELIEVES THAT IF PUSHED TO A VOTE, UK WOULD ABSTAIN RATHER THAN VETO A RESOLUTION LIFTING THE EMBARGO. HE SPECULATED THAT FRANCE WOULD ALSO BE MORE LIKELY TO ABSTAIN THAN VETO, AND THAT FRANCE MIGHT TRY TO ORCHESTRATE A COMMON EU  
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POLICY ON THIS QUESTION.

5. RUSSIAN MISOFF SAID MOSCOW HAD NO POLICY ON THIS QUESTION YET, BUT HINTED THAT THE NEW YORK MISSION WOULD RECOMMEND SUPPORTING RWANDAN EFFORTS TO LIFT THE EMBARGO. HE CONTENDED THAT THE RWANDANS WERE UNLIKELY TO BE SWAYED BY THE UK POINT THAT RESTRICTIONS ON SHIPMENTS TO THE CAMPS IN ZAIRE WOULD CEASE, SINCE THOSE RESTRICTIONS HAVE BEEN RELATIVELY INEFFECTIVE. GERMAN MISOFF ALSO HAD NO INSTRUCTIONS, BUT REMARKED THAT

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GERMANY WOULD BE UNLIKELY TO SWIM AGAINST THE TIDE  
ARGENTINA IS LIKELY TO BE SYMPATHETIC TO THE RWANDANS,  
AND THE CHINESE ALMOST CERTAINLY WILL VOTE WITH THE  
RWANDANS, ACCORDING TO RUSSIAN MISOFF. THE CZECHS AND  
ITALIANS HAVE NOT COMMENTED.

6. COMMENT: A RESOLUTION MUST HAVE NINE VOTES IN FAVOR  
TO BE ADOPTED, AND NO VETOS. IF RWANDA GAINS THE  
SUPPORT OF ALL THE NON-ALIGNED MEMBERS AND CHINA, THEY  
WILL HAVE SEVEN VOTES IN FAVOR. THE INTERAGENCY GROUP  
MAY WISH TO BEGIN DISCUSSING POSSIBLE USG REACTION TO A  
POTENTIAL RESOLUTION AIMED AT LIFTING THE EMBARGO.

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